

SALEM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

REGULAR MEETING

March 22, 2012

Present: K. Bellandese, G. Balavender, Alt., J. Bernier S. Crisanti, S. Kozlowski, Alt, M. Mullin

Absent: M. Jensen

Guests: none

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chairman Mullin called the meeting to order at 7:31

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: recited

SEATING OF ALTERNATES: Seat S. Crisanti for Vacancy and S. Kozlowski for Jensen.

PUBLIC HEARING: None Scheduled

RECEIPT OF APPLICATION(S) TO SET PUBLIC HEARINGS: No Applications

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. March 22, 2012 Regular Meeting

M/S/C (Bellandese/Bernier) to approve the March 24, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

Vote: Approved. In favor of the motion-Bernier, Bellandese. Mullin. Opposed-None. Abstain-Crisanti, Kozlowski. Vote: Approved

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

M/S/C (Bellandese/Bernier) move New Business Item 2. Election of New Board member to item 1, move item 1, Election of Officers to item 2. Vote: Approved Unanimously.

1. Election of New Board Member to replace Lee Cole-Chu,-term to expire 11/2017.

M. Mullen explained to the members the process for filling vacancies on the Board. It was his position that the vacated full position should be filled from the alternates.

S. Kozlowski asked if someone not on the Board could be nominated for the full position.

M. Mullin thought there was ambiguity in the Charter. He explained that the Board should not fill the position with someone that was not an already existing Board member. He stated that the alternates were elected and the person that some of the members had in mind was not elected. He stated that it was up to the Board of Selectman to fill any alternate vacancies that may open up due to filling the full spot.

S. Kozlowski and G. Balavender stated they were not interested in the full position.

S. Crisanti stated his attendance and common sense qualify him for the full position.

M/S/C (Bernier/Bellandese) to nominate S. Crisanti to replace Lee Cole-Chu's term until the next election. Vote: Approved Unanimously

K. Bellandese asked if the Board could appoint an Alternate for the spot just vacated by S. Crisanti.

M. Mullin stated that the Board of Selectman would be responsible for appointing the alternate. He stated it should be opened up to the two town committees and other people in town. He said you could fill the alternate position but that is not the way he operates. He will call the Secretary of State and if he can get someone to authorize him to spend money on the attorney he will call and find out if the vacancy has to follow minority representation for alternate spots.

K. Bellandese stated that B. Nortz would like to be on the Board. She said she ran for the position and assumes she would want the spot. M. Mullin thought that they would be infringing on the electoral process.

2. Election of Officers

M/S/C (Mullin/Bernier) nominate M. Mullin for Chairman, K. Belandese for Vice Chairman, and J. Bernier for Secretary. Vote: Approved Unanimously.

S. Crisanti stated that the Board should meet at their regularly scheduled meeting times for an hour, even if there were no applications. The Board thought it would be a good idea to go over cases pertaining to ZBA issues.

CORRESPONDENCE:-none

ADJOURNMENT: M/S/C (Crisanti/Bellandese) to adjourn at 8:17

Respectfully Submitted

Sue Spang
Recording Secretary

UNAPPROVED